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# MILK PRODUCTION

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Milk production for Washington in November 2003 totaled 438 million pounds, 7 million pounds below November 2002. Production per cow averaged 1,785 pounds, 15 pounds less than November 2002. The number of milk cows on Washington farms was estimated at 244,000 head, 3,000 head below last November.

Milk production in the 20 major states during November 2003 totaled 11.6 billion pounds, slightly below November 2002. Production per cow in the 20 major states averaged 1,509 pounds for November, 13 pounds above November 2002. The number of milk cows on farms in the 20 major states was 7.7 million head, slightly less than November 2002.





#### MILK COWS & PRODUCTION: BY STATE, OCTOBER & NOVEMBER, 2002-03 1/

	Milk Cows 2/			Milk Per Cow 3/			Milk Production 3/					
STATE	October		November		October		November		October		November	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
	Thousand Head			Pounds			Million Pounds					
Arizona	150	150	150	150	1,750	1,790	1,800	1,835	263	269	270	275
California	1,664	1,703	1,669	1,706	1,760	1,705	1,685	1,655	2,929	2,904	2,812	2,823
Florida	147	140	147	140	1,110	1,105	1,155	1,130	163	155	170	158
Idaho	391	412	390	412	1,760	1,820	1,690	1,740	688	750	659	717
Illinois	115	108	115	108	1,430	1,470	1,420	1,450	164	159	163	157
Indiana	147	144	147	143	1,435	1,490	1,420	1,460	211	215	209	209
Iowa	208	198	208	197	1,480	1,520	1,470	1,490	308	301	306	294
Kentucky	120	111	120	111	1,025	1,035	1,020	1,025	123	115	122	114
Michigan	300	297	301	298	1,650	1,690	1,610	1,635	495	502	485	487
Minnesota	480	465	480	465	1,390	1,410	1,380	1,400	667	656	662	651
Missouri	136	126	135	125	1,120	1,200	1,125	1,190	152	151	152	149
New Mexico	305	318	305	320	1,750	1,745	1,650	1,670	534	555	503	534
New York	676	665	678	658	1,485	1,455	1,410	1,405	1,004	968	956	924
Ohio	262	259	261	258	1,410	1,420	1,350	1,380	369	368	352	356
Pennsylvania	591	562	591	560	1,495	1,455	1,460	1,420	884	818	863	795
Texas	310	311	310	311	1,350	1,450	1,345	1,460	419	451	417	454
Vermont	153	147	153	146	1,425	1,450	1,380	1,415	218	213	211	207
Virginia	119	110	119	109	1,260	1,235	1,235	1,225	150	136	147	134
Washington	247	244	247	244	1,870	1,890	1,800	1,785	462	461	445	438
Wisconsin	1,268	1,250	1,266	1,249	1,410	1,465	1,385	1,410	1,788	1,831	1,753	1,761
20 State Total	7,789	7,720	7,792	7,710	1,539	1,552	1,496	1,509	11,991	11,978	11,657	11,637

- 1/ October 2003 revised.
- 2/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.
- 3/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

# FALL POTATOES

Washington's 2003 potato production is estimated at 93.2 million cwt., an increase of less than 1 percent from the 2002 production of 92.4 million cwt. Potatoes stored in Washington on December 1, 2003, were estimated at 51.0 million cwt., 2 percent more than December 1, 2002. December 1 stocks accounted for 55 percent of Washington's 2003 crop.

The 15 major potato states had 267.2 million cwt. of potatoes in storage on December 1, 2003, up 1 percent from last year. Potatoes in storage accounted for 66 percent of fall production this year. Total potato production in the 15 major producing states is estimated at 404.5 million cwt., compared with 407.8 million cwt. in 2002.

# FALL POTATOES: PRODUCTION AND STOCKS ON DECEMBER 1, 2002-03

State	Crop Year	Production	Total Stocks Dec 1	Stocks as % of Production	
		1,00	0 Cwt.	Percent	
Washington	2002	92,400	50,000	54	
	2003	93,150	51,000	55	
Idaho	2002	133,385	92,000	69	
	2003	123,180	86,000	70	
Oregon	2002	24,936	17,500	70	
	2003	20,991	18,000	86	
15 State Total	2002	407,821	264,585	65	
	2003	404,459	267,160	66	

## POTATOES: QUANTITY USED FOR PROCESSING, NINE STATES, 2002-03 1/

State	Storage Season	To Dec 1	Season Totals
		1,00	00 Cwt.
Idaho & OR (Malheur Co.)	2002-03	28,380	85,390
	2003-04	24,310	-
Maine 2/	2002-03	2,230	7,835
	2003-04	1,585	-
WA & OR (Other Co.)	2002-03	33,680	79,110
	2003-04	32,240	-
Other States 3/	2002-03	12,190	36,705
	2003-04	12,570	-
Total Nine States	2002-03	76,480	209,040
	2003-04	70,705	-
Dehydrated 4/	2002-03	15,670	48,943
	2003-04	14,250	_

<sup>1/</sup> Total quantity received and used for processing regardless of the state in which the potatoes were produced. Amount excludes quantities used for potato chips in Colorado, Maine, Michigan, and Wisconsin.

<sup>2/</sup> Includes Maine grown potatoes only.

<sup>3/</sup> Colorado, Minnesota, Nevada, North Dakota, and Wisconsin.

<sup>4/</sup> Dehydrated products except starch and flour. Included in above totals.

# CATTLE ON FEED, 1,0000 HEAD CAPACITY FEEDLOTS, 2003

ITEM	IDAHO	WASHINGTON	U.S. TOTAL
Cattle on Feed, Nov 1 2/	295	195	11,038
Placed on Feed During Nov	64	46	1,926
Fed Cattle Marketed During Nov	47	35	1,537
Other Disappearances during Nov 3/	2	1	97
Cattle on Feed, Dec 1 2/	310	205	11,330

<sup>1/</sup> Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

#### **POULTRY**

Washington egg production totaled 111 million eggs during November 2003, 2 percent below a year ago. The total number of layers during November 2003 averaged 4.9 million, down 5 percent from 2002. November egg production per 100 layers was 2,269 eggs, compared with 2,191 in November 2002.

U.S. egg production totaled 7.28 billion during November 2003, compared with 7.23 billion produced in 2002. The total number of layers during November 2003 averaged 336 million, down fractionally from the 338 million in November 2002. November egg production per 100 layers was 2,165 eggs, compared to 2,139 in November 2002.

#### LAYER AND EGG PRODUCTION, NOVEMBER 2002-03, SELECTED STATES 1/

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State & Year		All	Eggs Per	Egg	December 1			
		Layers 2/	100 Layers 2/	Production	Being Molted	Molt Complete		
		Thousand	Number	Millions	Percent			
Arkansas	2002	14,645	1,857	272	0.0	11.5		
	2003	14,637	1,886	276	0.0	11.0		
California	2002	23,059	2,190	505	4.0	33.0		
	2003	20,119	2,217	446	2.0	35.5		
Georgia	2002	20,122	2,092	421	1.5	17.0		
	2003	20,499	2,059	422	0.5	17.5		
Indiana	2002	23,189	2,191	508	2.5	31.0		
	2003	22,839	2,220	507	2.0	32.0		
Ohio	2002	30,645	2,105	645	6.0	21.5		
	2003	29,238	2,151	629	5.5	22.0		
Oregon	2002	2,801	2,356	66	4.5	27.5		
	2003	2,975	2,286	68	2.5	24.5		
Pennsylvania	2002	24,042	2,275	547	3.0	17.5		
	2003	23,716	2,239	531	3.0	23.5		
Washington	2002	5,157	2,191	113	3.0	48.5		
	2003	4,891	2,269	111	3.0	45.0		
30 State Total 3/	2002	316,216	2,137	6,758	2.8	23.7		
	2003	313,497	2,164	6,785	2.5	22.5		
Other States	2002	21,592	2,167	468	1.2	23.3		
	2003	22,555	2,172	490	2.2	24.9		
<b>United States</b>	2002	337,808	2,139	7,226	2.7	23.7		
	2003	336,052	2,165	7,275	2.5	22.6		

<sup>1/ 2003</sup> preliminary. 2002 revised.

<sup>2/</sup> Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

<sup>2/</sup> Includes all layers and eggs produced in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size.

<sup>3/</sup> Thirty states include: AL, AR, CA, CO, CT, FL, GA, HI, IL, IN, IA, ME, MD, MI, MN, MS, MO, NE, NY, NC, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TX, VA, WA, & WI.

# **COLD STORAGE**

Total U.S. fresh apples in storage on November 30, 2003, totaled 4.85 billion pounds, down 3 percent from a year ago and 12 percent less than last month. Frozen french fries in storage for the three Pacific Coast states and eight Mountain states on November 30, 2003, totaled 672.0 million pounds. Total potatoes in storage for the three Pacific Coast states and eight Mountain states totaled 853.0 million pounds, or accounted for 69 percent of the Nation's total potatoes in storage.

# STOCKS IN COLD STORAGE

Commodity	Nov. 30, 2002	Oct. 31, 2003	Nov. 30, 2003	
		Thousand Pounds		
Apples, Fresh				
Regular Storage	1,027,615	1,791,585	952,574	
Controlled Atmosphere	3,952,142	3,716,010	3,898,436	
48 State Total	4,979,757	5,507,595	4,851,010	
Potatoes, French Fries				
Mountain	246,582	203,621	208,203	
Pacific	441,564	472,599	463,601	
48 States	957,161	974,023	967,988	
Potatoes, Total				
Mountain	300,642	258,618	263,582	
Pacific	550,099	614,856	589,406	
48 States	1,214,375	1,253,946	1,232,555	